

PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

June 9, 2006

NOTES

1. Meeting started at 8:50 am.
2. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS ON ANY ITEM NOT ON TODAY'S AGENDA
 - John Carroll – I attended a meeting in Bonita about Sweetwater Park and trails and it was a great meeting. There were over 50 equestrians in attendance as well as many others and it was very positive to see how things are moving along and how we can work together to build these trails.
 - Doug Goad – I think that it is great that we have the County that is really embracing the importance of having these trail opportunities and providing it for all of the various groups from walkers to equestrians, etc.
 - ♦ Brian Albright - We are making more progress with trails and have even been able to get trail requirements on major and minor subdivisions, where as before it was only major subdivisions.
 - Paul Davis – I received the flyer for the interpretive hike at Mission Trails next week and just wanted to bring it to everyone's attention.
3. Approval of May 12, 2006 Minutes
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MOTION TO APPROVE MAY 12, 2006 – TABLED TO NEXT MEETING (NO QUORUM)
4. DEPARTMENT REPORT – Jason Hemmens
 - Distributed our department accomplishments report for May.
 - We reopened El Capitan on May 20th, which was the last fire-burned park to reopen.
 - We implemented our Healthy Vending Policy and have received praise and recognition for being the first entity to adopt and implement this policy.
 - We have also been invited to participate in a Healthy Living Study that SDSU is doing.
 - We had a record 1,000 people attend National Trails Day on Saturday, June 3rd at Los Penasquitos.
 - We have also sent out our new DPR summer program guide.
5. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - PLDO and CSA Fund Balance Reports – Eric Wong
 - ♦ Reviewed latest PLDO and CSA reports.
 - ♦ We will be going back to the Board of Supervisors on July 19, 2006 where they will decide if they want to read the votes for the CSA 26 Park Maintenance Assessment District survey.
 - ♦ We should be going to the Board of Supervisors in September for the Park Land Dedication Ordinance increase. We have already met with the Building Industry Association and have sent information to the planning groups.
 - Santa Ysabel Preserve Presentation – Mike McFedries

- ♦ We are going to be opening the Santa Ysabel Preserve on Thursday, June 29, 2006 at 11:00 am. The opening will be at the entrance off Farmers Road.
- ♦ The east preserve is about 3,800 acres and we will be opening the east end which is about 2,300 acres with approximately 11 miles of trail. Almost 8 of the 11 acres is part of the Coast to Crest trail system.
- ♦ We have spent the last year and a half or so preparing this preserve and trails to be opened.
- ♦ There is a staging area as well as parking along the road at the east end and only road parking at the west end.
- ♦ There is a loop trail at both the east and west end of the trail.
- Miracle League Field – Brad Roberts
 - ♦ We have worked out a deal with the Miracle League of San Diego that they will run and operate the field, but we will build the field.
 - ♦ There is currently only 1 Miracle Field in California.
 - ♦ The difference with our field is that it will be a multi-use field. It will be used for the Miracle League during the regular little league season and then as an adult league field on the other times (we are currently working with the National Wheelchair Softball Association). There is also going to be one day that it would be available for anyone to come to the field and play.
 - ♦ There is going to be additional parking at the field including ample ADA accessible parking (including ADA vans) and a turnaround area for drop-off.
 - ♦ This will be a day use field, there will be no lights at the field.
 - ♦ We are also going to be including a 5' diameter circle around each of the bases on the field to make it more user friendly for wheelchairs.
 - ♦ Phase 2 of the project would include a concession stand and restrooms, but there is currently no funding for this phase.
 - Paul Davis – Does the County have any horseback riding programs for the disabled?
 - ♦ The County does not run any programs for this, but there are a couple of them within the county.
 - ♦ Distributed a flyer for a Padres game fundraiser night, which the proceeds will go to this project.

6. Opportunity for Members of Public to Speak on Any Items Not on Today's Agenda

- None

7. ADJOURNMENT

- Adjourned at 10:00 am.

ATTENDEES:

John Carroll, District 1
 John Degenfelder, District 2
 Doug Goad, District 3
 Paul Davis, District 3
 Brian Albright, County of San Diego Parks and Recreation
 Jason Hemmens, County of San Diego Parks and Recreation
 Eric Wong, County of San Diego Parks and Recreation
 Mike McFedries, County of San Diego Parks and Recreation
 Sabrina Hicks, County of San Diego Parks and Recreation